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For: PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites, describes, and provides copies of the following art references:

FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCES:

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-160360 to Saito *et al.*, entitled *PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL*, published on 12 June 2001; and

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2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-236890 to Morikawa, *et al.*, entitled *GAS DISCHARGE DISPLAY PANEL AND ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD*, published on 31 August 2001.

OTHER DOCUMENT:

- *Office Action* from the Korean Industrial Property Office issued in Applicant's corresponding Korean Patent Application No. 10-2002-0068084 (dated 30 September 2004).

DISCUSSION

As written in the Korean Office Action issued by the Korean Industrial Property Office on the 30th of September 2004 in applicant's corresponding Korean Patent application corresponding to applicant's above-captioned U.S. Patent Application, **Saito *et al.*, JP'360** discloses that this plasma display panel, having ribs to partition the discharge space, is constituted in a manner such that dummy ribs 11 formed outside display region among all ribs consist of parallel portions 11a parallel to electrodes formed on the surface of the substrate and orthogonal portions 11b orthogonal to the parallel portions 11a, and the orthogonal portions 11b have gaps α arriving from the top downward at the substrate surface, where the ribs are formed. Because the parallel portions 11a and orthogonal portions 11b enclose the discharge space, electric charges are prevented from jumping to neighboring cells, eventually enabling suppression of abnormal discharge. Further, because the strength of the dummy rib 11 is raised by the both parallel portions 11a and orthogonal portions 11b

supporting each other, it can burly cope with strong pressure, when the panel is prepared.

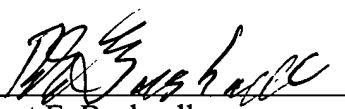
Morikawa, et al. JP'890 discloses that the partition board is provided with a notch near the end or is composed to meander around the end. Then, notches are made by adjusting and marching time or the like for sandblasting.

The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging and thorough search of the relevant art.

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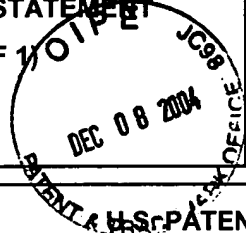
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)	
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